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WEATHER FORECAST
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December 18, 1913, Temperature a.m. 53° p.m. 58°
Humidity " 78, " 69

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TELEGRAMS.

LEEDS STRIKE.

MEN GIVEN TILL TO-DAY.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 18.
The Leeds Corporation have given the strikers until Friday to resume their duties, otherwise their places will be filled.

At a meeting of the tramway-men it was resolved to continue the struggle.

The volunteers continue to be partially successful in maintaining the services, and women are acting as lamplighters.

A body of men, escorted by police, removed a huge accumulation of garbage in the municipal markets.

There is indignation at the action of the gravediggers on strike in picketing the cemeteries.

COVENT GARDEN DEAL.

CONCLUDED IN HALF AN HOUR.

London, Received December 18.
The price paid by Mr. H. Mallaby-Deely, M.P., for the Duke of Bedford's Covent Garden estate, is under £3,000,000, while the stamp duties and transfer amount to £30,000. The initiative came from the Duke of Bedford, and the bargain was concluded in a thirty minutes' interview with the purchaser, who declares that he stands alone.

SAN FRANCISCO EXHIBITION.

GERMAN EFFORTS FAIL.

London, Received December 18.
Reuter's Berlin correspondent states that the efforts to organise German representation at the San Francisco Exhibition have failed, the reason given being considerations of national tact and the impossibility of adequately organising the exhibits.

A VALUABLE COLLECTION.

SHAKESPEAREAN WORKS FOR AMERICA.

London, Received December 18.
Practically the whole of the late Professor Dowden's Shakespearean books have been purchased by a New York collector.

CRYSTAL PALACE.

FOR THE NATION.

London, Received December 18.
The arrangements have been finally made for the purchasing of the Crystal Palace for the public, Lord Plymouth agreeing to sell at £30,000 less than the sum he paid for it.

MRS. PANKHURST.

RELEASED AGAIN.

London, Received December 18.
Mrs. Pankhurst having been on hunger strike, has again been released from gaol and is going to Switzerland.

POLICE PAY.

INCREASE IN LONDON.

London, Received December 18.
The Home Secretary has sanctioned an increase of pay to five thousand London policemen.

TELEGRAMS.

GAOL EXPLOSION.

NEAR SUFFRAGIST CELLS.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 18.
Two bombs exploded with cannon-like effect last night against the wall of Holloway Gaol, close to the cells in which the suffragists are usually confined. Practically no damage was done.

HOME RULE.

LEADERS COMMUNICATE.

London, Received December 18.
The Daily Chronicle states that Mr. Asquith this week, for the first time, has communicated with Lord Lansdowne and Mr. Bonar Law on the subject of Home Rule. Letters have passed between them.

IN SOMALILAND.

ENGLISH CORRESPONDENT.

London, Received December 18.
Mr. Alan Ostler, the special correspondent of the Daily Express in Somaliland, has been fined at Berbera to the extent of £183 sterling, for travelling in prohibited districts and carrying arms, or in default of payment, two months' imprisonment. He refused to pay the fine.

ENTENTE CORDIALE.

MUTUAL SATISFACTION.

Peking, Received December 18.
H. M. King George has telegraphed to President Poincaré expressing his lively satisfaction at the fresh proof of the intimate relations existing between France and Great Britain, as shown in the cordial reception of the British Fleet at Toulon.
President Poincaré replied that he was glad to have that fresh opportunity of manifesting that friendship.

ADMIRALS RETIRED.

SIR ALFRED WINSLOE AND SIR COLIN KEPPEL.

London, Received December 18.
Admiral Sir Alfred Winsloe has voluntarily retired from active service.

Admiral Sir Colin Keppel has also voluntarily retired.

[Sir Alfred Winsloe, only recently returned home on the expiration of his period of service as Commander-in-Chief on the China Station. He entered the Navy in 1855 and also served in Egypt in 1882. He served in the Naval Brigade in the expedition against the Sultan at Vitu, East Africa, in 1890. In the following year he went as Commissioner to Massikessi to draw a boundary between the Portuguese and the Chartered Company. During the China-Japanese war he commanded H.M.S. Spartan and was also in command of the Ophir during the Royal Tour. He is 61 years of age.]

Sir Colin Keppel has been Rear-Admiral in command of the Atlantic Fleet. He joined the Britannia in 1875, was a midshipman of the Inconstant during the Egyptian war of 1882, served with the naval brigade and landed for service in the Sudan with the Nile Expedition in 1884-85. He was lent to the Egyptian Government for service on the Nile and commanded the gunboat flotilla, receiving the thanks of both Houses of Parliament for his services. The Distinguished Service Order after the occupation of Berber and the Commandership of the Bath after the fall of Khartoum.

TELEGRAMS.

DOMINION EXHIBITION.

WHOLE-HEARTED SUPPORT.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 18.
At a meeting of prominent city men held at the Mansion House those present unanimously resolved to pledge their whole-hearted support to the Dominion Exhibition, which is to be held in the Crystal Palace in 1915.

ENGAGEMENT CANCELLED.

OBJECTION TO ULSTER SPEECH.

London, Received December 18.
The Officers of the 7th Territorial Worcester Regiment at Dudley requested Sir Arthur Boscawen to cancel his engagement to preside at their prize-giving on account of a recent speech in which he said that he would resign his command of the Special Reserve Battalion of the West Kent Regiment if a single soldier was ordered to fight the men of Ulster, on the ground that his speech was prejudicial to discipline. Sir Arthur Boscawen, accordingly, did not preside at the gathering which took place yesterday. The correspondence which passed on the subject has been published.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

THE IMPERIAL OBSEQUIES.

Liangshuang, Dec. 15.
On the occasion of the Imperial obsequies of the Emperor Kuang Hsu, the Empress Lung Yu and Pearl Concubine, the first obsequies were offered on Friday morning by several hundred Chinese and Manchus, including Prince Pa Lun, representing the Emperor Hsuan Tun, members of the Imperial Family, and delegates of the President and Vice-President.
At six o'clock on Saturday morning the funeral procession started from the Hsinking to the tomb. It was of very great length, taking nearly two hours to pass a given point. First came huge paper images, followed by gongs. Then came the Flag Corps, the Umbrella Corps, shaded incense tables, sedan chair, several thousand soldiers and attendants, and lastly the three catafalques.

In the first of these were the remains of Kuang Hsu the last reigning Ching Emperor, whose death occurred on November 11, 1908. The coffin was covered by a pall of yellow satin embroidered with dragons. Then came the remains of the Empress Lung Yu, whose death took place on February 22 of this year. Lastly came the remains of Pearl Concubine, whose coffin was covered by a pall of reddish yellow and phoenix embroidered. Each of these was carried by 121 men of the Luan Yi Wei bodyguard. On their arrival before the tomb the coffins were placed in three temporary sheds.

At eight o'clock the Imperial Consort Jen, who is chief of the Manchu Family, escorted by cavalry and high officials, left the Hsinking for the tomb in a yellow chariot followed by the younger members of the Imperial Family in a bright red chariot and many carts containing high officials. On their arrival at the tomb sacrifices were offered and then the coffins in order of precedence were removed into the Tukung or tomb proper. The palls were removed and the gates of the Tukung closed and cemented.

Yuan Shih-kai's delegates at the ceremony were Liang Shih-yi, Liang Chi-chia, Chu Chi-chien, Yin Chang, Kun Yuan, Ma Lung-piao, Lu Chen-chang and Chao Ping-chun.—Reuter to the N.C. Daily News.

TELEGRAMS.

LAND CAMPAIGN.

THE SCOTTISH PROPOSALS.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 18.
Mr. Lloyd George opens his Scottish land campaign at the end of January.

It is understood that the Scottish Land Bill favours the taxation of land values, and believes that the question of a minimum wage should be governed by local conditions, while the housing proposals should be similar to those contained in the English Report.

Foreign Troops in China.

Peking, Dec. 13.

Contrary to current reports, the American Minister in Peking never indicated that the Russian proposal to withdraw foreign troops from Chihli would meet with America's endorsement. Dr. Reinsch, in common with all the Ministers, immediately reported the matter to his Home Government and does not expect a reply for several days.

Russia's proposal continues to be eagerly discussed, opinion being almost unanimously against it. It is pointed out that if Russia alone carries out the proposal, the Legation Guard authorities will find it necessary to garrison the Russian defences, whilst it is also suggested that the other Powers may make up the deficiency in the number of troops. Finally, it is freely argued that if Russia really intends to show friendship to China, she could display it to greater profit by restraining raiding and murdering by Mongols, who are threatening Kalgan.—Reuter to the N.C. Daily News.

Hankow, Dec. 14.

There is every indication that the Russian proposal for the withdrawal of foreign troops stationed in Chihli will not affect the Russian troops at Hankow, where 350 men of the 6th Siberian have been stationed since the Revolution. The detachment was reinforced on Friday by a medical officer, while a new commander is due to arrive shortly. Plans have been made by Russia, for 150 exchange troops to come to Hankow.—Reuter to N.C. Daily News.

Peking, Dec. 13.

We learn that Germany shows great sympathy with regard to the proposal to withdraw the troops from the Provinces of Chihli, but if only in China's own interest since local troubles can yet occur—she does not consider the time as yet quite suitable for the withdrawal. It seems that Great Britain takes much the same standpoint. The other Ministers have merely taken note of the proposal and have submitted it to their home governments.—Ostasiatisher Lloyd to the N.C. Daily News.

Settled.

In the case which came before Mr. Justice Gompertz, at the Summary Court, this morning, in which Chia Kee sued Mr. Carvalho for the sum of \$84.55, Mr. Heywood, (Mr. L. D'Almeida e Castro) said the defendant offered thirty dollars down and instalments of \$5 a month. This was accepted and judgment was entered accordingly.

German Prince at Shanghai.
Amongst the guests at the St. George's Ball at Shanghai, was a young German prince, namely, Prince Franz Joseph of Hohenzollern, the second son of Prince Wilhelm of Hohenzollern, head of the Princely branch of this House. The head of the Royal branch is the German Emperor and King of Prussia. Prince Franz Joseph, who is about twenty-three years old, is lieutenant on board of S.M.S. Emden.

TELEGRAMS.

EUROPEAN POLITICS.

THE PRESENT OUTLOOK.

[Ostasiatisher Lloyd Service.]

Berlin, Received December 17.
The British circular note on South Albania and the Aegean Islands has been accepted by France; that of Russia is expected to follow.

The opinion of the Triple Alliance is uncertain. As Sir Edward Grey wants to maintain the present Greek occupation of South Albania an Austrian-Italian protest against the note is possible.

The Times points out the necessity for a speedy solution of the Balkan question, in order to prevent discord among the Powers. The mission of the German General to Constantinople has created displeasure in England.

The Parisian Press says it is Russia's fault that the enquiry by the Triple Entente into the aims of the German Military Mission has failed.

Russo-French papers regard the threatening occupation of Armenia as bluff, as its carrying out would be resisted by the Triple Alliance.

On the question of the islands, the Triple Alliance recognizes the right of Italy to compensation against retrocession of the islands. Marquis Giuliano has rendered in the Italian Chamber a successful expose on the world power of Italy, saying that the Otranto state of Italy is a thing of the past.

The South Albanian frontier question, he continued, is one of vital interest to both Italy and Austria, and therein they are supported by Germany. Italy was for maintaining Turkey as a strong power and there was no fundamental difference with England on the question of the Mediterranean.

Signor Giolitti spoke for an increase of the Italian Army and Navy.

GENERAL CHANG.

RETIREMENT ACCEPTED.

Peking, Received December 17.
President Yuan Shih-kai has accepted Chang Hsuen's retirement, appointing him Inspector-General of the Yangtze, Chang Hsuen, however, takes up his residence at Tientsin, whither his family has proceeded him.

Fung Kuo-chang has been nominated Tuih of Kiangsi and Chao Ping-chun as Tuih of Chihli.

EX-GOVERNOR OF KANSU

Peking, Received December 17.
Shoung Yuen, former Governor-General of Kansu, has arrived at Tientsin for a stay of three weeks, at the end of which he will return north. Later on he intends to settle down for good at Tientsin, promising to refrain from politics thereafter.

FUNDS FOR CHINA.

CRISP LOAN REPORT.

Peking, Received December 17.
The Tsing-chi-yuan-pao reports ratification of the Crisp loan for \$10,000,000.

MEXICAN AFFAIRS.

"RUN" ON A BANK.

Berlin, Received December 17.
A "run" has occurred in the City of Mexico on the Banco Central.

TELEGRAMS.

CHINESE PROVINCES.

NEW SUB-DIVISION PLANS.

[Ostasiatisher Lloyd Service.]

Peking, Received December 17.
The Council of Ministers advises giving up the old provincial system and suggests instead that the country to be subdivided into governments under the Presidents, who are to be controlled by the Premier at Peking, district officers and police to be controlled by local Presidents.

LOCAL SPORT.

Volley Ball League Final.

The final match of the Hongkong Volley Ball League will be played to-morrow at 4.30 p.m. on the Y.M.C.A. Grounds, Tai Ping Shan. The opposing teams will be Queen's College and the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association.

CRICKET.

The following have been selected to represent K. C. C. in their 1st. League fixture versus Navy C. C. on Kowloon Ground at 2 p.m. to-morrow:

J. P. Robinson, W. E. Dixon, W. Kay, K. B. Mackaskill, F. J. de Rome, W. H. Weaver, J. H. Mead, B. D. Evans, L. M. Whyte, L. J. Blackburn, C. Brown.

Royal Hongkong Golf Club.

The result of the Captain's Cup, played on December 13 and 15 is as follows:

Cup.
Mr. A. H. Jackson 90-12-78
Colonel Tison 82-2-80
Mr. J. H. T. McMurtrie 81-8-81
Mr. F. Bevington 94-12-82
Mr. A. Ritohis 86-4-82
Capt. Crawford 91-9-82
Mr. R. D. Stewart 112-18-94
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Qualifies for Cup.

Pool.

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Wins Pool.

For Profits of Tramways.

The tramways Committee of the Portsmouth Corporation has agreed to hand over \$48,000 of accumulated profits towards the rates, to enable the town to pay its debts without having to raise the rate above the urban district limit of 2s. 6d. in the pound.

A Big Will.

Mr. G. W. Palmer, of Messrs. Huntley and Palmer, biscuit manufacturers, Reading, has left estate amounting to \$765,676 18s. 6d. He bequeathed \$25,000 upon trust for his nephew, R. W. Poulton, the well-known Oxford University Rugby football player.

Latest Advertisements.

Mr. G. P. Lamert is selling a stock of boots, hats, suit lengths, etc., on the 23rd inst.—Page 5.
The Chinese Telegraphic Administration issues a notice regarding the registration of telegraphic addresses—Page 6.

The Medical Hall advertises a fine assortment of the best perfumery.—Page 5.

Judgment by Consent.
In the Summary Court, this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, B. J. Howard sued P. T. Lamble for the sum of \$53.40. Mr. Dixon, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, told his Lordship that the defendant had been in to see him as the solicitor for the plaintiff, and had consented to judgment. He would ask his Lordship to fix the costs at \$15. He would agree for a stay until January 2.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

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CONDENSED.

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NEWS.

Log Book appears on page 6 and Commercial news on pages 8 and 9.

General news and other interesting matter appear on page 3 to-day.

There are now in port the flagships of three Far Eastern squadrons—British, French and German.

The Russian Consul was "at Home" this forenoon, to-day being the same day of the Emperor of Russia.

A case in which a chauffeur sues for alleged wrongful dismissal was mentioned in the Summary Court, this morning.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Bijou Scenic Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

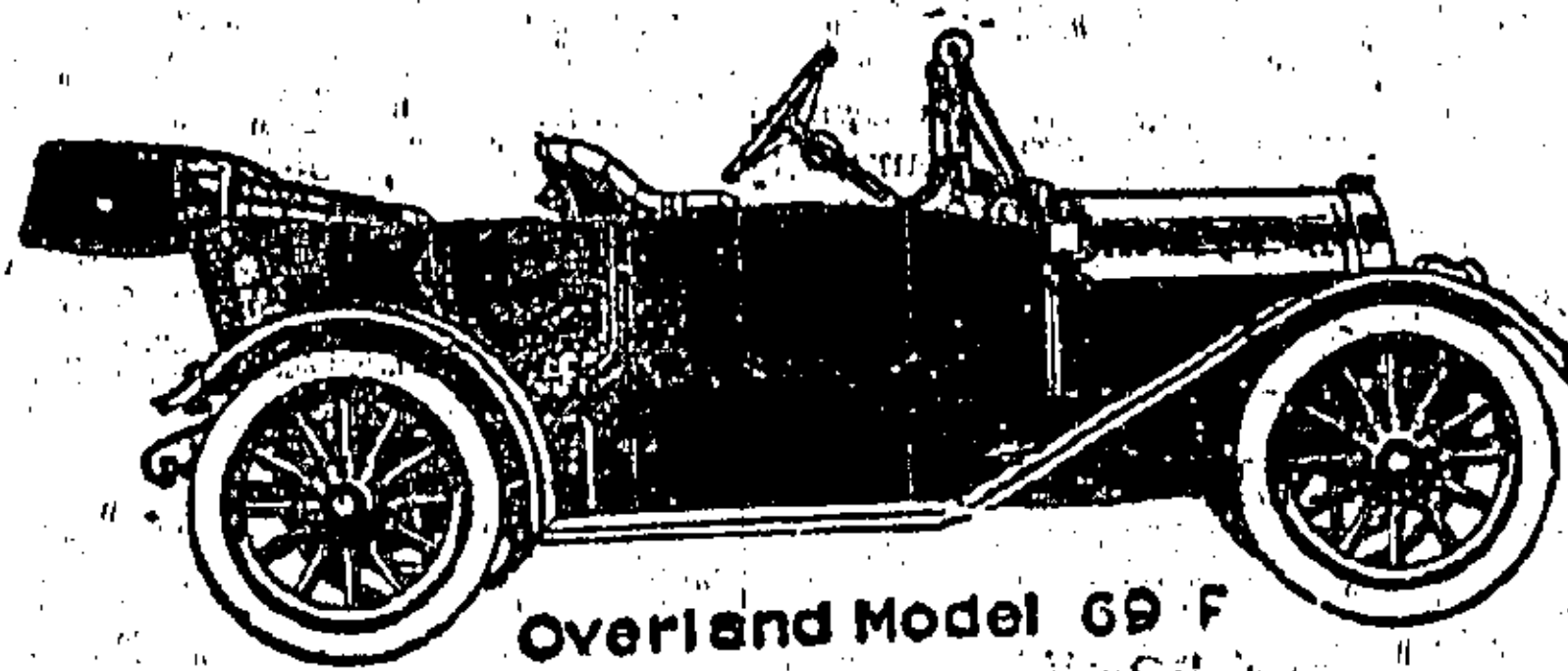
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Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Sale of Wines and Spirits, G. P. Lamert's Sale Room.—11 a.m.
Monday, December 22.
Auction of Crown Land, P. W. D.—3 p.m.

Wednesday December 24.
Boxing at City Hall.—9 p.m.
Tuesday, January 6.

G. Fenwick and Co. Ltd., in liquidation—General meeting of shareholders, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.—noon.

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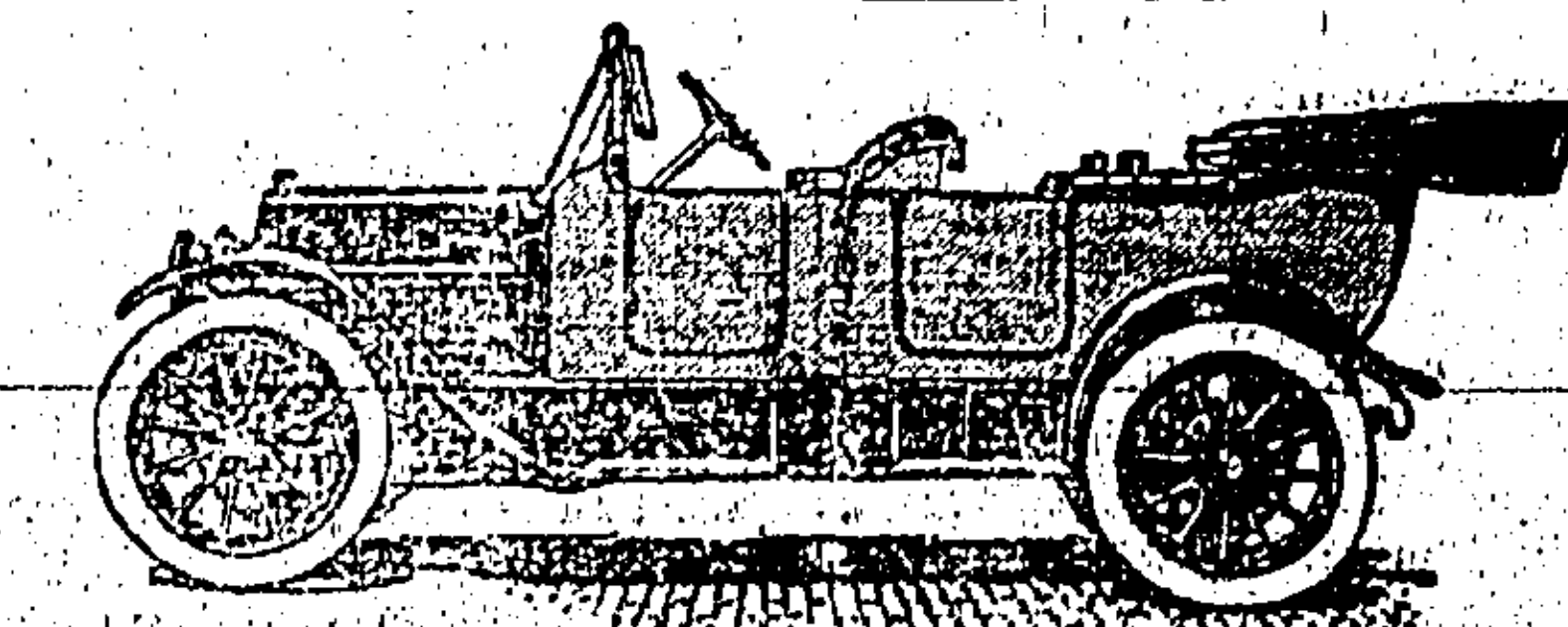
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names (who) should be "guarded
against" are such a dominant
factor in the import trade that
their methods affect the "many
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old school, whose integrity,"
Mr. Wattie admits, "compares
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ropean standard." They do not.
Even though a young firm were to
enjoy such a liberal credit at
home as Mr. Wattie's remarks
seem to imply, they still lack—in
China—the confidence of bankers
and steamship companies, and if
drafts are presented for purchase
in London to any discounting
bank, it is certain that the true
standing of the drawers
would soon be revealed.

Daily Press

Budget Problems.

It is clear, however, that only
a "naval holiday" can avail to
stop increasing expenditure on
the Navy in subsequent years in
carrying out a programme of
construction already sanctioned.
When to the enormous increase
which has taken place in recent
years on armaments we add the
fact that civil expenditure in the
United Kingdom has been in-
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realise that the financial burden
is becoming a very onerous one
indeed for the nation. Since the
Liberals came into office the civil
expenditure of the country has in-
creased by more than £30,000,000,
and if they are permitted to
add to this the expenditure
contemplated by Mr. Lloyd George's
Land schemes and by the
Government's Home Rule Bill,
the country's financial position
will become a very grave one
indeed. So long as the naval
predominance of the Empire is
threatened by the shipbuilding
programmes of other countries,
it is safe to assert that no British
Government will be supported by
the country at large in ignoring
that menace, and if the taxpayers
seek financial relief, it must be
obtained for the present by put-
ting a check on the growing
civil expenditure.

China Mail.

Bathing Facilities in Hongkong.

It may be said that many have
learned to swim with such
facilities being at hand; and,
doubtless, they run considerable
risk in so doing—risks that there
is no necessity should be run.
That the Government realise the
necessity for such a bathing place
as we are advocating is clear from
the discussions that took place
last year and two years ago. It
is also clear that they have prac-
tically shelved the question on
the ground apparently that the
only likely place to meet the neces-
sity of the case—North Point—is
unsuitable in some respects.
That it can ever be an ideal place
no one is likely to contend, but
that it can easily be made to
answer the purpose has been
demonstrated by the enterprise to
which we have already referred.
The question, however, is not one
for private enterprise, but for the
Government, and we trust that
soon the matter will be discussed
in Council and North Point made
a suitable place for beginners in
the art of swimming, or for any-
one wishing to enjoy a dip at a
place convenient to the centre of
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COURT MATTERS.

The exemplary sentence which the Chief Justice imposed on a child stealer yesterday may not be a deterrent upon others. It is to be hoped, too, that His Lordship's remarks, in passing sentence, may gain wide currency. The offence of child stealing, for the sake of monetary gain, is one that cannot be permitted to go lightly punished in a British Colony, and a few sentences of five years' hard labour may serve to decrease the number of offences. One observation made by the Chief Justice is worth noticing. "If it had not been for some other persons the father and mother would never have found where their children were." In nine child-stealing cases of ten "other persons" could give information if they were so inclined. Over and over again, in our reports of kidnapping cases, we have given the evidence of some man or woman to whose house stolen children were taken and lodged.

It seems to us that some good might be done by framing an ordinance making it compulsory upon such people to notify the police when strange children are brought to them for lodgement. At any rate, it might be made an offence for them to lodge strange children for more than one night without acquainting the police with the fact. This would have a double result. It would go far toward ensuring that child-stealers would be swiftly brought to work and it would protect innocent people, who house the children without thought of doing harm, from the danger of being wrongly accused of aiding and abetting. Some scheme of this kind would do much to lessen the number of these wicked offences which is altogether too large.

Another point of interest arising from the cases tried yesterday is that one man pleaded guilty to returning from banishment and was promptly disposed of. Usually such cases are finally decided at the Police Court and the appearance of a prisoner at the Sessions on such a charge is rare. Just why this particular case was taken to the Supreme Court is not at all clear, but the prisoner benefited in so far as he escaped all chance of being sent to the stocks and ran little, if any, risk of heavier imprisonment. It seems to us that cases of this kind might very well be completed at the Police Court in every instance. The time of the Supreme Court is too valuable to be taken up with cases which a magistrate could, and does, readily dispose of. This matter seems worth some little attention.

Good Advice.

Our recent leader on the question of coldness in the Church drew forth some pointed suggestions from a correspondent as to ways and means of securing closer and more intimate social relationship between members of church congregations. It is interesting, therefore, to note that, at a conference in the United States recently, the Assistant Professor of Economics at Yale urged a more extensive use of church property for the benefit of the community, including the using of parish houses as dance halls, as one means by which the Church might decrease its social shortcomings. "I know," he said, "that it will wear out the carpets, but to preserve the carpets is not the chief end of the Church's existence." There is good advice wrapped up in a small parcel, and leaders of religion could do worse than follow the spirit of the suggestion thrown out.

Dealing with Burglars.

How far is a man permitted under English law, to go in self-defence? Sir John Bethell, who shot at a burglar not long ago, seems to have carried whatever right there is to very near the fullest limit. Suppose one shoots a burglar dead, can one be convicted of murder or manslaughter, or is there ground for the general belief that the case would be one of justifiable homicide? It is said of the late Mr. Justice Wilkes that he was once asked what course was to be taken by a man, who, on looking into his drawing room, found a burglar "picking up the clock." His Lordship's advice, as a man, as a lawyer, and as an English judge, was to "take a double-barrelled gun, carefully load both barrels, and then, without attracting the burglar's attention, aim at his head and shoot him dead." That is a nice short way of dealing with burglars, but it might be just a little bit dangerous for a layman to apply.

Getting Used to It.

That dear lady, Mrs. Pankhurst, is causing no end of trouble to the authorities. Within a fortnight she has been arrested twice and released twice. On the 5th inst., on her return from the United States, she was quietly seized and hurried off to goal, but after three days "thrust-striking" she was again given her liberty. Leaving for Paris, she returned on the 14th inst., and no sooner had she set foot of English soil than the old process was gone through once more. Now the "thrust-striking" trial has worked yet again to the satisfaction of the strikers, whose latest place of refuge is to be Switzerland. We wonder how long this sort of thing is to be allowed to continue? It must keep a whole army of official busy making out commitment and release orders for this militant madcap.

The "Scrap."

The police at West Point were informed that members of a certain society were going to have a fight at six o'clock last night. A special watch was kept, and at eight about twenty men came out to fight. Two were captured and at Police Court, this morning, they were fined \$25, each, or in default one month.

Consented to Judgment.

In the case in which the Hongkong and China Gas Company, sued B. B. Collins for \$11.69, Mr. Dixon, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, for the plaintiffs, said that the defendant had consented to judgment, when the case was called before Mr. Justice Comper at the Summary Court this morning.

Dr. Sun and His Party.

It is reported that Dr. Sun Yat-sen sent a telegram to the President of the Kuomintang, a proper step and that although it was organized by him he had lost control over it, says the Peking Gazette. Dr. Sun knew that there was no hope for the Kuomintang on account of its violent members, but he had no power to dissolve it.

DAY BY DAY.

IF WE CONTINUALLY FILL OUR MIND WITH ONE SINGLE SUBJECT, HOWEVER ELEVATED, IT WILL GROW INTO A PERFECT OBSESSION.

The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Left for S.S. Himalaya at 5 a.m. to-day.

Siberian Mail.—Arrived per S.S. Delta this morning.

English Mail.—Closes per S.S. Delta at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

Wines and Spirits.

Mr. G. P. Lammer is selling a large stock of wines and spirits at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

Amputation.

A man was fined \$20, at the Police Court, this morning, for being in unlawful possession of 41 rounds of ammunition.

A Bag of Bones.

A Chinese found in unlawful possession of a bag of bones, was fined \$10 at the Police Court, this morning.

Caused an obstruction.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese was fined \$25, or in default one month, for causing an obstruction on the Praya, Kennedy Town.

Opium Poisoning.

A Chinese waiter at West Point, has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from poisoning from opium alleged to have been self-administered.

That Foki.

A shop keeper of 141, Queen's Road, Central, reports to the police that he entrusted a foki with \$7.00 in subsidiary coin to change into notes. The foki has disappeared.

Settled.

At the Summary Court, this morning, the case in which Li Chiu-lan sued F. Ellis for \$118.17, was said to be settled by Mr. Norrington (Messrs. Brutton and Hott), appeared for the plaintiff.

Ex-Emperor's Education.

It is reported, says the Peking Daily News, that ex-Emperor Pao-yi will give up the study of the Manchu language in order to devote all his time to education.

Lost Only Once.

In reply to a solicitor's interrogatory, a Chinese has stated that he claimed for an eye which he only lost once. The opposition appeared satisfied.

Settled.

In the Summary Court, this morning, A. W. Musgrave sued Ah King for the sum of \$324. Mr. Goldring, of Messrs. Goldring and Ross, for the defendant, mentioned that the case had been settled.

Two Charges.

A man charged at the Police Court, this morning with returning from banishment was sent to goal for six months. He was sent down for a similar period for housebreaking in Lyndhurst Terrace.

Subscription Grinns.

Thirteen Subscription Grinns are expected per S.S. "Anhui," due to arrive on 21st instant. They will be drawn for at Kennedy's Stable, Causeway Bay, on late of arrival at 5.0 p.m.

Reckless Coolies.

Three Sanitary Board coolies were fined \$3, each and ordered to pay fifty cents, at the Police Court, this morning, owing to driving a dcart to the common danger. They nearly knocked down Sergeant Moore on Hollywood Road.

Aidless and Useful.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. have sent us a very useful desk calendar, a China ash tray in ivory and deft blue, and a pocket knife from the proprietors of that well-known brand, Napier Johnstone & Sons, Bottle Whisky, for which they are the Sole Agents in Hongkong. The ash tray is particularly neat and attractive in design and is one of the most striking we have seen for long time.

Shanghai Organist Married.

A pretty wedding was celebrated at Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai, on Monday last, when Mr. Donald Baldwin Lury, Mus. Bac, Cathedral organist, son of the late Mr. Alfred Lury, was married to Miss Ethel Maud Holt, who recently came out from England. The men of the Dulage Company, S.F. B. Lury, the commander of the ship, and a number of other guests, were present. The bride and groom left the Cathedral at 11 a.m.

VICTORIA BRITISH SCHOOL.

Annual Prizegiving—Interesting Headmaster's Report.

The annual prize distribution of the Victoria British School took place this morning at the School, the Director of Education, Mr. E. A. Irving performing the ceremony. Prior to this, however, the children gave a pretty presentation of "The Sleeping Beauty," which delighted a large attendance of parents.

The headmaster, Mr. Sutherland, read the following report:—

Attendance.—The school was opened 183 days during the year. The greatest number of pupils on the roll at one time was seventy-eight in March while the lowest was 61, in September. The average attendance for the year was 63 which is an increase of 16 over that of the previous year. This increase is due to the abolition of the age limit for girls in September 1912.

Staff.—Mr. Cox resigned on November 7 and his place was taken by Mr. Cavalier who handed over to me on November 20. Miss Macdonald relieved Miss Main of her duties here on April 15.

Premises.—On taking over, I found the school premises very satisfactory; the school rooms large and well ventilated. The school playing field is in very good order, and I am glad to say the pupils take full advantage of it. The boys play cricket and football there, while the girls have begun to play hockey under the tuition of the lady teachers. It is also used for the drill of senior girls. The school possesses a library of about 130 books, which is well patronised by the boys. This library owes its origin to His Excellency Sir Henry May, who donated \$50 towards the foundation of a school library. It is composed almost entirely of boys' books. This is to be remedied through the kindness of Sir Paul Chater, who has presented \$5.5 for the purchase of girls' books. Our thanks are also due to Messrs. Raymond and Ellis for presenting many books to the library.

Discipline.—The discipline throughout the school is very good, especially in the lower school. Organisation.—As far as I have been able to judge, the organisation is the best possible under the circumstances. The number of classes at each of the three classes at the same time. This, of course, makes it very difficult to do satisfactory work. Next year the staff is to be increased and this will relieve matters very considerably.

Studies.—The examination held last week shows that work in the Upper School on the whole was satisfactory. Reading, writing, and spelling are weak, especially among the boys of the higher classes. I think more time ought to be devoted to them. Mathematics are good but the examination papers lack logical arrangement and neatness. French in the Upper School is very poor owing to the lack of any system and the cramming of text books for the Oxford Local examination. This is to be remedied next year. Their knowledge of history consists too largely of disconnected facts. This might be remedied by utilising historical questions as subjects for essay. Geography, general intelligence and drawing are all in a very satisfactory state. In the Lower School, all the work is excellent.

In that last Oxford Local examination the school did very well, one boy was presented for the Senior, but failed; for the Junior, out of three presented, two passed; the seven presented for the preliminary all passed. I have to thank Mrs. Bishop and Miss McNeill for their help and co-operation during the time I have been here.

Mr. Irving, addressing those present, laid particular emphasis on the necessity of looking after the children's health and advised the children to have them seen to while they were young. It would hurt less and besides now mother might give them sixpence for going to the dentist, but when they get older they would have to pay the bill (laughter). Speaking of the staffing of the school, Mr. Irving pointed out that the increase in

staff of a government school was necessarily slow. It had to be included in the estimates and passed, and then a selection was made at home by the Board of Education and so it was a year before an increase took place. However they were obtaining a teacher from home and Miss Rogers, who had been a pupil in "the opposition show, if I may call it so." Kowloon was also coming to them.

He also pointed out that the Lugard Scholarship had been won by Dolly Bishop but Mrs. Bishop had relinquished it and it would now be held by Gladys Foster who had run her a very close second.

Mr. Gibson on behalf of the parents thanked Mr. Irving for bringing present and the proceedings closed with the National Anthem.

The prize list was as follows:—Class Prizes Upper School, girls:—Class 11, Sophie Silas; Class 11, Dolly Bishop; class 4, Gladys Woolley, and Hattie Bahrmann.

Boys:—Class 2, J. Grimshaw; class 3, H. Young; class 4, 1, Douglas Gibson, 2, W. Hamilton; Lower School:—Ada Dickson, 2, Mabel Mueser and Elaine Court; class 1, 1, T. Traeman; 2, Dolly Haines; class 2, Dolly Dickson and Rene Dickson; class 3, Flora Hamilton; 2, Mabel Silas; Infants:—1, L. Stokes; 2, Iris Worn.

Needlework:—Upper, Ivy Hearle; lower, Evie Woolley. General Progress:—Upper, Rosie Mitchell; lower, Harry Van Moines. Attendance, full year:—E. Sternberg.

Oxford Local examinations:—Junior Certificates:—Sophie Silas. Preliminary:—Dolly Bishop, Gladys Foster, Ivy Hearle, Rosina Mitchell, Harry Young, Arthur D. Silas.

Lugard Scholarship:—Gladys Foster.

A NECESSARY EXPLANATION.

C.S.P. Sued as an Official not as an individual.

When the case in which Mr. McIlvaine Messer was sued by a Chinese came on at the Summary Court, this morning, Mr. Norrington (Mr. Brutton), for the plaintiff said that this was a claim against the Captain Superintendent of Police for the balance of banknotes.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, for the defendant:—Will you Lordship adjourn this case sine die? I think there will be interpleader proceedings taken.

Mr. Norrington:—I ask for the proceedings to stand over.

His Lordship:—What are the other proceedings?

Mr. Hodgson:—I think interpleader proceedings, my Lord. I have several of the notes. I would like to mention the fact that Mr. Messer has been sued here. The only proper way is to sue the Captain Superintendent of Police, and two writs appear under his own name. There have been two or three writs and it is rather hard on Mr. Messer.

His Lordship:—It is a wrong practice which might interfere with an innocent person.

Mr. Hodgson:—The Chinese do it often. I know a case where one official had his credit stopped in a certain shop.

Mr. Norrington:—I will ask for an amendment my Lord, and the writs will appear under the proper heading next time they go into the list.

It was made clear that Mr. Messer was sued as an official and not as an individual.

The case was adjourned sine die.

THREE FLAGSHIPS IN PORT.

With the arrival of the German cruiser Scharnhorst this morning there are now in port the flagships of three Far Eastern squadrons—British, French and German. The three Admirals of the fleet are something in the nature of a unique happening in Hongkong waters.

CHAFFEURS' SUIT.

Asks Damages for Alleged Wrongful Dismissal.

In the Summary Court, this morning, before Mr. Justice Comper, S. A. Raabed sued J. H. N. Mody, for the sum of \$104, being made up of \$29 as wages for one month, the month of November, and \$75 for damages for wrongful dismissal by the defendant for whom he was employed as a chauffeur.

Mr. Dixon, Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. J. H. Gardiner, for the defendant.

Mr. Gardiner: This case will have to go over until Wednesday. Mr. Dixon: I want an order for my friend to file a statement of defence.

Mr. Gardiner: I don't think a statement of defence is necessary. Mr. Dixon said that he wanted a statement of defence as this was a case of wrongful dismissal and there were going to be allegations of drunkenness etc. He would like an order of defence so as to know what was in dispute.

His Lordship said that Mr. Dixon had plenty of time, as the case would not come on yet. He had better take his particulars and wait.

Mr. Dixon:—The defendant is going away.

Mr. Gardiner:—Not until January 14.

His Lordship:—I will take it before then.

CALENDARS.

The General Accident, Fire and Life Assurance Corporation Ltd. (W. G. Humphreys and Co., local agents) has sent us a very serviceable calendar illustrated with three nice views in England, Ireland and Scotland.

Messrs. George Craddock and Co., the steel and wire rope manufacturers, (local agents the Eastern Asbestos Company, Queen's Buildings), have forwarded us a calendar of large size illustrated with a paddock scene.

The most beautiful calendar we have seen for sometime is that of Messrs. Maspero Freres for the year 1914. Under a delightfully artistic blue cover there are four studies of women by leading artists. Each subject is detachable so that it can be framed if so desired. These calendars are certainly an art treasure.

The Richmond Tobacco Company has sent out a calendar illustrated with a charming egg-laying scene.

The London Assurance Company, has forwarded their customary useful office calendar with special date block.

The Queen Insurance Company (now merged in the Royal Insurance Company—Messrs. E. D. Sasoon and Co., local agents) have sent us a very useful calendar.

Messrs. Campbell Moore & Co. of the reputed toilet saloon, Hongkong Hotel Buildings, have sent us a calendar that is in keeping with their saloon for good taste.

The P. and O. has sent out their calendars for the new year. The a.s. Medina is the subject of the picture in the centre.

EUROPEAN SUEZ.

Terms of Settlement Arranged.

At the Supreme Court, this morning, before Mr. Justice Comper sitting in Summary Jurisdiction, the case in which Ellis Kadoorie and others, sue H. A. Maxwell, for \$1,000, was again mentioned.

Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, for the plaintiffs, said that terms of settlement had been arranged for and he asked His Lordship to allow the case to come before him in Chambers to-morrow.

Mr. Norrington, of Messrs. Brutton and Hett, I agree.

Mr. Lewis:—What time will you allow it to come in to-morrow?

His Lordship:—I should like to start at 9.30.

ALLEGED FRAUD.

The Story of a Bill of Exchange.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Chan Tung, alias Chan Yuen-kei, was charged with unlawfully attempting to obtain the sum of \$1,000 by false pretences with intent to defraud; and also with feloniously signing or indorsing a bill of exchange for the sum of \$1,000 in favour of Chan Kwai with intent thereby to defraud.

Sergeant Murphy prosecuted and Mr. C. F. Mason, (Mr. F. X. D'Almada's Co-Defendant).

It was alleged by the prosecution that the defendant presented the bill of exchange at the International Banking Corporation.

Mr. M. D. Currie, the sub-manager of the International Banking Corporation, said he recognized the defendant as the man who came to the bank on December 17, between ten o'clock and ten thirty in the morning.

The bill of exchange was brought to the witness by a shroff and he found it had been forged two days previously. He went and saw the defendant, but had no conversation with him although he had been detained until the police arrived. Defendant was then taken to the station.

If the draft was payable to order, unless the parties were known to the Chinese department, the custom of the bank was to require that some chop known to the Chinese department was affixed to the draft. In some cases only an advance copy of the payee's signature was received. He did not see the signature placed on the back of the first exhibit.

If the defendant had found evidence that he was the man named in the draft, and second exchange had not been paid, the draft would have been honoured. The fact that the first had been paid was found in the ordinary way of business.

After evidence of an identity of the nature had been given, the hearing was adjourned.

THE EXTRADITION CASE

Law as Rigid as Court Be.

The extradition proceedings against Chang Sau-nam were continued this afternoon at the Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Wood when Sir Francis Piggott, defending, replied to the arguments of Mr. Eldon Potter, who supports the proceedings.

Sir Francis reminded His Worship that Mr. Potter had argued that this case was serious so far as Hongkong was concerned because it would enable refugees from China in vast numbers to find a harbour of refuge in Hongkong. He advanced that as a reason why the prisoner should not receive the benefit of discharge which his Worship could give him.

What Hongkong had to do, he submitted, if she objected to the influx of criminals was to prevent them from coming in, but when they had once entered they must be protected by the law of extradition which was as rigid as it possibly could be.

The hearing was proceeding when we went to press.

FAILED TO APPEAR.

Plaintiff Who Was Absent.

At the Summary Court, this afternoon, the Wah Sun firm who sued the Tai Yik firm for \$65.07, balance due for goods sold and delivered, did not appear when the case was called at two o'clock, nor did their lawyer Mr. Heywood, (Mr. L. D'Almada).

Mr. Needham, of Messrs Ewins and Needham, appeared for the defendant.

His Lordship waited for about ten minutes and when there was no appearance made by the plaintiff, gave judgment for the defendant with costs.

Returned to the Colony.

Sergeant Lamont, Sergeant Kendall, Sergeant Kerr, and acting Sergeant Lanning arrived back in the Colony yesterday, having been home on leave.

SPECIAL CABLES.

BIG RAILWAY SCHEME.

AGREEMENT WITH BRITISH FIRM SIGNED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Received Dec. 19

Lord French, representing Messrs Paulings, and the Ministers of Communications and Finance, last evening signed an Agreement providing for the construction of 800 miles of railways from Shanghai to Singyi-fu, with a branch from Changteh to Changhai.

Messrs Paulings are arranging the flotation of loans to cover the cost, and the security will be the line itself.

The Agreement provides for the engagement of British accountants and a British Engineer-in-Chief.

The proposed line links up the Hankow-Johang and Hankow-Canton Railways, and also the Yunnan-Hanoi Railway by a line from Yunnan-fu, Singyi-fu and Nanning, which the French are arranging.

ONLY AN AGENT.

Lawyer's Clerk Sued for \$1,165.

In the Summary Court, this morning, the hearing was continued by Mr. Justice Gompertz in which Yee Sing and Company, Post Office Buildings, sued J. A. Chue, a clerk in the employ of Messrs Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, for the sum of \$1,165.38, the price of goods sold and delivered by the plaintiffs to the defendant.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner represented the complainant and Mr. Stevenson, of Messrs Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, defended.

The defence was that defendant was only an agent for his brother.

Mr. Gardiner contended that the case was one in which it was obvious that the defendant was acting entirely on his own. He had given all the orders and his name was on their books as the person from whom they expected payment. He also alleged that the two letters which were handed in by the defendant were mere fabrications and were got up to influence his case. Though out the transactions plaintiff had looked upon the defendant as the principal.

His brother Robert was not on their books and no one even knew where he was; he was somewhere in Australia.

His Lordship said that Mr. Stevenson had put up a very staple case for the defence, and at one time he was in doubt as to his decision, but he was not now. It was obvious from the correspondence that the defendant was the one to whom plaintiffs gave the credit. He would not refer to the "weak points" in the defence, he would merely hold that defendant was the person to whom the credit was given. He gave judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

"At Home"

To-day being the Name day of His Majesty the Emperor of Russia, the Consul for Russia was "at home" at his office from 11.30 to 1 o'clock. Members of the Consular body and officials paid calls as did many of the leading residents of the colony.

Adjourned.

Drs. Muller and others sued M. A. Silva, at the Summary Court, this morning, for the sum of \$62. Mr. Mason (Mr. F. X. D'Almada) appeared for the plaintiff and asked for this case to be adjourned sine die. This was agreed to by Mr. O. F. Mason, also appeared for Drs. Muller and others in a case that came before Mr. Justice Gompertz, at the Summary Court, this morning, in which they sued Alice Nealson, for the sum of \$382. Plaintiff asked for this case to be adjourned sine die, and this was agreed to.

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SHANGHAI, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Penang Maru Capt. Murazumi T. 12,000 Kanagawa Maru Capt. M. Machida T. 12,000	(FRIDAY, 19th Dec.) (MONDAY, 22nd Dec.)
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SHANGHAI	Huichow	25th Dec. at 4 p.m.
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Tilbodas	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	SHAI	2nd half Dec.
Tilwong	SHAI	2nd half Dec.	JAVA	2nd half Dec.
Tijpanas	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.
Tijmanok	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	SHAI	1st half Jan.
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Tenyo Maru	22,000—21 knots	Satur. 17th Jan.
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Lost Stewardess.

The Cork Steamship Company's vessel Rissa was sunk in collision with the Cardiff steamship, Forthcawl in the Mersey and in the rescue of the crew Mrs. Gregory, the stewardess, the only woman on board, was drowned. A gale was blowing and there was a strong flood tide which rendered navigation difficult. The Rissa was driven on the bow of the Forthcawl. The captain at once ordered the lifeboat to be lowered. Mrs. Gregory was the first to enter it, eighteen members of the crew following. The boat then made for the Wallasey ferryboat Iris and when alongside, the donkeyman and Mrs. Gregory fell into the water. The man was saved but Mrs. Gregory sank. She was a widow with several children and belonged to Manchester.

Burning Ship Rescued.

Twenty-six persons in the Glasgow steamship Scoedyske (2,622 tons, belonging to Messrs. Ross, Allan, and Johnston), which caught fire in the Channel, were landed at Portsmouth after being rescued by the new super-dreadnought Iron Duke, which was carrying out trials.

The Scoedyske was bound from North Africa for Sunderland and had on board Captain Gregory, his wife, a crew of twenty-two, and two passengers—Mr. A. Falconer Geddie and Mr. W. B. Calder, both members of the Parliamentary Press Gallery.

Below is an account of the fire by Mr. Geddie, one of the two passengers:—

"Our first warning of the fire was the slowing of the engines about 11 p.m. but to this we paid little attention. A minute later, however, we jumped out of our bunks on hearing the alarmed voice of the captain's wife. When we left the Tunisian coast twelve days ago we were loaded up high fore and aft with a deck cargo of Spanish grass. We came on deck to find the ship seemingly enveloped in flames.

"The fore-deck cargo had caught fire and was blazing high against the clear sky. Already the bridge had caught fire and the two forward boats were cracking in the heat. The crew were all at their places, working with quiet placid under Captain Gregory's ready, resourceful native of the Moray Firth coast.

"The heat was intense, and the hopelessness of the fight soon became evident. Yet not an effort flinched. When, however, the fire beat its way into the bunkers and filled the stokehold with choking smoke and sulphur fumes from the under-cargo of zinc ore, the order was given to lower our two remaining boats, already stowed out on their davits.

"Willie's sea running and in face of the wind there seemed little hope from the venture, and as the after cargo had not yet caught we hung on to the last chance of being picked up. All hands were now aft, the last to come on deck being the engineers, who remained at their posts as long as steam could be raised by the now unstocked fires.

"Their efforts had been gallant, and effectual so long as there was sufficient way on the boat to enable the newly rigged hand-steering gear to keep the fire to leeward. The starboard boat was almost dashed to pieces against the ship's side, and the one

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1913.

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Pleasures of Playing Alone.

The short Saturday afternoons are with us, and the average golfer, unless he can get away from the first tee by half-past two, at the latest, will not go near the course. We are all familiar with the congested state of the links from one o'clock onwards, but at three the first tee is usually clear on most courses, and, with at least an hour and a half of daylight remaining, it is always possible for a player to put in ten or a dozen holes.

Half a round is better than no golf, and to the man who has been tied to his desk all the week, and cannot leave very early on the Saturday, its value is inestimable. It is curious to remark the number of men who practically relinquish golf during the winter months. Because they cannot get to their club until late in the afternoon, and know they will neither get a round nor a partner, they give it up altogether. It is a mistake to be dependent upon time or a partner. Golf is above time, and is no respecter of persons. There is a peculiar pleasure in playing a few holes by oneself which I count among the greatest attractions of this many-sided game.

Golf is eminently a social game, and the man is a sorry fellow who prefers to play by himself. But when it means that or nothing, there is no question of its worth. There are times when we want to be, and ought to be, by ourselves. Released from the anxieties of match-playing, we can play our own game in our own way, and the results are usually cheering, and sometimes surprising.

The Duffers' Class.

I suppose I must admit that I am now out of the beginners' class, and in the duffers'. The short handicap man will smile at this distinction without any apparent difference. But while, as a beginner, I did badly uniformly, as a duffer I occasionally perform well. It is this which stimulates, and beckons me along the path which I trustingly believe will lead to better things. But it is a great mortification when one has been driving well, and is secretly anxious to display the improvement to an old friend and partner, to find, under the stress of the encounter, that one's new-found skill basely deserts one at the critical moment.

It is a poor consolation to tell him that you have been doing well, and are at a complete loss to understand this sudden decline. You feel conscious of his amusement, even if he is too considerate to show it. It is then that a round, or half a round, by oneself is as balm to the bruised soul.

The drive from the tee is a delicious experience. There is no one to see if the ball goes twenty yards or two hundred, and because one swings easily and without thought of a partner's stroke, it very properly goes the greater distance. Then, I am afraid, one weakly longs that, after all, someone was there to see! But such temptations must be sternly repressed. If the hole is a long one, we can use the brassie for our second with the comforting knowledge that, whatever hap-

pens, we shall get some practice with a club which the duffer is usually chary of employing.

A Generous Friend.

I have frequently remarked how few beginners can safely handle a brassie, but, once it is confidently used, it is an unfailing and generous friend. And then the approach shot! Never mind if I fail to place it on the green. There is no one in front, and no one behind. The first few holes are deserted, and the last of the trailing couples can be seen in the distance, hurrying to complete the round before darkness falls, as though there was a peculiar virtue in playing the whole eighteen holes. I am monarch of all I survey, and there is beauty in the declining sun on a winter's afternoon which only the solitary golfer can appreciate.

Down goes another ball, and the green is reached. Putting is then a real pleasure. Again and again, putts, long and short, can be essayed. No one is inconvenienced, and one complacently strolls to the next tee feeling that some of the shots played would not have disgraced a professional.

By the time the sun has set I have put in nine or a dozen holes in this fashion, and who shall say the effort is not worth it? I return to the club in glow of satisfaction, and the better for the exercise. I have put some of my theories into practice, I have made some excellent shots, and my golfing self-respect, an invaluable asset, has been restored. My friends smile when they hear that I have been playing by myself, and I fancy there is a trace of pity in the smile. I refrain from telling them the history, the wonderful history, of one or two of the holes. I found out very early that my stories of exceptional performances were received with ill-disguised incredulity, and so I keep them to myself. Because, forsooth, I could not produce corroborative evidence, they were sceptical. It is a strange attitude, but it is human, and one must not complain.

But the recollection of that terrible five hole I did in four is the sweeter to me, because there was no unfriendly or sardonic eye to witness the feat, and no voice to mar its intensity by declaring it to be due to the most undiluted luck. I can tell it in the warmth of print. A good drive, a fine brassie, a well-judged approach, and a twenty-foot putt. That is the bald record; but its eloquence to me is beyond the reach of a lyric, and its joy the more abiding because I, and I alone, was there to witness its accomplishment.

The duffer at no time needs pity, and least of all when driven by shortness of time or the lack of a partner, he spends a happy solitary hour on the links he loves so well.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

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In its place we have introduced a guessing competition, in the form of a guess for full weight, every cash purchaser of \$5.00 worth of goods at any one time from 1st to 31st December 1913, being asked to guess the total number of sweets in a jar, the figure guessed being entered on a coupon duly signed by us, handed to the purchaser.

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POST OFFICE.

The United States mails ex Manchuria have been transferred in Japan to the Empress of Russia which is scheduled to arrive here on the 23rd inst.

MAILS DUE.

American, Empress of Japan, 23rd inst.

MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Delta, Shanghai & Mail via Siberia
Appling, Shanghai
Brisbane, Swatow
Rubi, Manila

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Yokohama—Per OYELON, 19th inst. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Saigon—Per LAERTES, 10th, Dec. 9 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per LAERTES, 20th inst. 10 a.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in 10 min. for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel mail will be closed to-day at 5 p.m.—Per DELTA, 20th Dec. 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 20th Dec. 1 p.m.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Surabaya—Per TILATJAP, 20th Dec. 7 p.m.

Shanghai and North China via Tsingtau—Per YINGHOW, 20th inst. 5 p.m.

Shanghai, & North China—Per CHOYANG, 20th inst. 5 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per YATSHING, 20th inst. 5 p.m.

Tientsin, Wei Hai Wei and Chingwantao—Per CHIPSHING, 20th inst. 5 p.m.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per BENLAWERS, 20th Dec. 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 21st Dec.

Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per KUEIHOW, 21st inst. 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow via Tamsui—Per DAIGI MARU, 21st inst. 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 22nd December.

Shanghai & North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., United States, Australia, India, & South America via San Francisco—Per OHIYO MARU, 22nd inst. 11 a.m.

Batavia—Per TAIJAN MARU, 22nd inst. 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 23rd Dec.

Straits via Calcutta—Per FOOKSANG, 23rd Dec. 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow—Per HAYANG, 23rd Dec. 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per RUBI, 23rd Dec. 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per LIANG-CHOW, 23rd Dec. 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per LIEN-SHING, 23rd Dec. 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 24th Dec.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Naples—Per PRINCESS ALICE, 24th inst. 10 a.m.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang & Sourabaya—Per BIJOUEN MARU, 24th inst. 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, Dec 25th

Shanghai & North China—Per HUI-CHOW, 25th inst. 9 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 26th Dec.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAITAN, 26th inst. 10 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per WOSANG, 26th Dec. 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, 27th Dec.

Philippine Islands, Angaur, Yap, Fred. Wilhelmshafen, Rabau, Haybertscho, Matupi, Australia, & Tamsui (New Zealand, via Brisbane—Per COBLENZ, 27th inst. 8 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per YUENSANG, 27th inst. 1 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Tsingtau (Europe via Siberia)—Per KANGHOW, 27th Dec. 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 30th Dec.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.—Per POLYNESIAN, 30th Dec. 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per SUNGKIANG, 30th Dec. 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, 2nd January

Tsingtau, Wei Hai Wei, Chaofo, Dainy and Chingwantao—Per CHONGKING, 2nd Jan. 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per ZAFIRO, 2nd Jan. 3 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Tillwong, Dutch, s.s. 3,050, Y. P. Scholtin, 18th inst.—Amoy, 17th inst. Gen.—J. C. J. L.

Himalaya, Br. s.s. 3,765, H. A. Evans, 18th inst.—Bombay, 3 inst. Gen.—P. & O. and Co.

Delta, Br. s.s. 4,780, W. R. Le Mare, 19th inst.—Shanghai, 16th inst. Gen.—P. & O. and Co.

Eiger, Norw. s.s. 875, E. P. Ingalsen, 19th inst.—Dainy, 15th inst. Beans—K. M. T.

Dingwall, Br. s.s. 2,250, J. 19th inst.—Bangkok, Rieco—Buns & Co.

Benlawers, Br. s.s. 2,250, H. W. Dec. 19th inst.—Straits 11th inst. Gen.—G. L.

Appling, Chl. s.s. J. Whitelaw, 19th inst.—Shanghai 16th inst. Gen.—M. Co.

Lien Shing Br. s.s. 1,019, W. Massey, 19th inst.—Shanghai, 15th inst. Gen.—J. M. and Co.

Isobe Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,859, Hayada, 10th inst.—Milke, 13th inst. Coal—N. B. K.

Toyotomi Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,517, Kasaki, 18th inst. Chaofo, 11th inst. Gen.—Chinese.

Teucer, Br. s.s. 5,216 W. Yarwood, 10th inst.—Liverpool via Manila, 17th inst. Gen.—B. & S.

Rubi, Amc. s.s. 1,403, J. Miller, 10th inst. Manila, 16th inst. Gen.—S. T. & Co.

DEPARTED.

December 17.

Pakhoi for Bangkok
Hue for Haiphong
Miyazaki Maru for Yokohama
Jeanara for Yokohama
Kaifong for Haiphong
Kwangchowwan for Kwangchowwan
Kueichow for Canton
Kueichow for Canton
Yingchow for Canton
Hain Chang for Shanghai
Mitsumi Maru for Kwangyin
Kwangai for Canton
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Brasilia for Canton
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Halvard for Kobe

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 19th at 10.55—The northern depression has passed into the Pacific. The anticyclone has weakened. It is still central over the lower Yangtze Valley.

Changes in the South are small. The monsoon will moderate along the coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood. N.E. winds, fresh to moderate; fair.

2 Formosa Channel. N.E. gale, moderating.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamcocks. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. 19th December, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Wind. Weather.

Wootock 7a 30.21 1 nne 1 b

Nemuro 6a 29.85 wnw 3

Hakodati 5a 29.95 waw 4

Tokio 4a 30.10 waw 1

Choshi 3a 30.21 w 1

Nagasaki 2a 30.29 n 1

Kishima 1a 30.28 n 3

Ohshima 30.28 ne 1

Naha 30.27 ne 2

Ishijima 30.27 ne 2

Bonin Is. 30.10 nw 1

Chaofo 30.35 42 75 waw 2 b

Whalwei 30.35 42 75 waw 2 b

Hankow 30.35 42 75 waw 2 b

Kiungang 30.35 42 75 waw 2 b

Changsha 30.35 42 75 waw 2 b

Shanghai 30.49 23 nw 1 b

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Sharp 7a 30.49 23 nw 1 b

Amoy 6a 30.31 31 68 ene 2 o

Swatow 5a 30.17 n 4

Taihu 4a 30.24 n 4

Taiwan 30.20 ne 8

Plover 30.25 ne 10

Canton 9a 30.35 47 70 n 2 o